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In re the Application of: **Isao SENDO et al.**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 6, 2005, Applicants amend the claims as follows and submit the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.